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**PEREZ ANNOUNCES RESIGNATION AS  
UNITED STATES ATTORNEY**

United States Attorney Paul I. Perez announced today he is resigning effective midnight March 30, 2007. Mr. Perez has accepted a position as Chief Compliance Officer for Fidelity National Financial Inc. (FNF) and will be directly responsible for the strict adherence to federal and state statutes, other regulations and the Company's codes of conduct as it relates to FNF's title insurance and other specialty insurance business.

During his tenure as United States Attorney, Mr. Perez served on the Attorney General's Advisory Committee (AGAC) and was Chair of the AGAC's Civil Rights Subcommittee. He was instrumental in the formation of the Southeast Law Enforcement Project (SE LEAP), a regional information sharing system for law enforcement in North Florida and South Georgia. Mr. Perez also helped foster strong partnerships among federal, state and local law enforcement throughout the District by his active participation in task forces and committees.

Under his leadership, the United States Attorney's Office for the Middle District of Florida has seen a steady increase in prosecutions over the last five years, especially in priority areas of the Justice Department such as terrorism, gun violence, child exploitation, and immigration enforcement. In addition, the Office has vigorously continued to prosecute health care fraud, public corruption and major drug trafficking organizations.

"Paul has been an outstanding United States Attorney and a great leader in the law enforcement community," said Deputy Attorney General Paul J. McNulty. "On his watch, the Middle District of Florida has handled some of the most significant prosecutions in the country over the past several years. He has served the entire nation with his stellar efforts on the Attorney General's Advisory Committee. His work in fighting human trafficking has been especially significant and displays his enormous compassion for people. The Department of Justice will greatly miss his presence."

The Middle District of Florida encompasses 35 counties in Florida and is home to almost nine million Floridians. The District has offices in Jacksonville, Orlando, Tampa and Fort Myers. As United States Attorney, Perez supervises more than 100 Assistant United States Attorneys that conduct the prosecution of criminal cases brought by the federal government, the prosecution and defense of civil cases in which the United States is a party, and the collection of debts owed the federal government which are administratively uncollectible.

Mr. Perez was appointed United States Attorney by President George W. Bush and confirmed unanimously by the Senate of the United States. He has served as United States Attorney since March 18, 2002.